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For

DNA SEQUENCE CODING FOR ENZYMES

CAPABLE OF FACILITATING THE SYNTHESIS OF LINEAR  $\alpha$ -1,4 GLUCANS IN PLANTS, FUNGI

AND MICROORGANISMS

New York, New York March 24, 2003

Hon. Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 2327 Arlington, VA 22202

## PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) <u>FOR EXTENSION OF TIME</u>

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a two-month extension of time to respond to the October 23, 2002 Office Action. With the extension, a response must be filed on or before March 24, 2003. A check in the amount of \$410.00, in payment of the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(2), is enclosed herewith.

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The Director is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or to credit overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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